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SUBJECT: ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT; PROJECT VI-2-1; EFFECT
OF POLLUTANTS ON MARINE ORGANISMS

1. REQUEST EMBASSY TRANSMIT FOLLOWING MESSAGE TO DR.
A. I. SIMONOV, CHIEF, DEPARTMENT OF SCIENTIFIC BASIS
FOR PROTECTION AND UTILIZATION OF MARINE ENVIRONMENT,
STATE OCEANOGRAPHIC INSTITUTE, WITH COPY TO KUVSHINNIKOV:

2. QUOTE: DEAR DR. SIMONOV: IN ACCORDANCE WITH OUR
PREVIOUS AGREEMENT AND THE DECEMBER 12, 1974 JOINT
COMMITTEE MEMORANDUM OF IMPLEMENTATION, WE ARE PREPARING
TO PUBLISH THE FIRST JOINT US-SOVIET COLLECTION OF
ARTICLES ON THE SUBJECT OF MARINE ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
AND THE EFFECT OF POLLUTANTS ON MARINE ORGANISMS. OUR
TARGET DATE FOR INITIAL PUBLICATION IN THE USA IS MAY 1,
1975. I INVITE YOUR GROUP TO SEND ITS FIRST SIX ARTICLES
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BY MARCH 1. PLEASE ENSURE THAT EACH ARTICLE CONTAINS NO

MORE THAN 20 PAGES, THAT IT IS EDITED, AND THAT IF POSSIBLE IT IS TRANSLATED INTO ENGLISH. CHARTS AND GRAPHS ARE ACCEPTABLE BUT WE ARE NOT YET ABLE TO PUBLISH PHOTOGRAPHS. AFTER PUBLICATION WE WILL SEND YOU COPIES. THIS WILL GIVE OUR PROGRAM THE LONG-AWAITED BEGINNING FOR FUTURE PUBLICATIONS FROM TIME TO TIME, HOPEFULLY FIVE OR SIX TIMES PER YEAR.

3. I UNDERSTAND TAT DURING THE JOINT COMMITTEE MEETING THE SOVIET SIDE STATED THAT IT IS ALSO PREPARING FOR PUBLICATION BY HYDROMET. I WOULD APPRECIATE HEARING FROM YOU AS SOON AS POSSIBLE THE DETAILS OF YOUR PUBLICATION PLANS AND ANY SUGGESTIONS YOU MAY HAVE FOR OUR CONTRIBUTIONS. SINCERELY, ERIC SCHNEIDER, DIRECTOR, NATIONAL MARINE WATER QUALITY LABORATORY, EPA. END QUOTE.

4. WOULD APPRECIATE EMBASSY STRESSING TO KUVSHINNIKOV IMPORTANCE U.S. SIDE ATTACHES TO EARLY RESOLUTION OF THIS LONG-DELAYED PUBLICATION PROGRAM AND OUR HOPE THAT SOVIET SIDE WILL RESPOND PROMPTLY. KISSINGER

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